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Mr. Walter Wager



Dear Mr. Wager:

Mr. Dulles has asked me to reply to your letter of 26 March concerning a book on the OSS. Inasmuch as you plan to be in Washington on 4 and 5 April, I would suggest that you give me a ring and perhaps we can discuss it at that time. Unfortunately, Mr. Dulles plans to be out of the city then and so will be unable to see you.

Sincerely yours,

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Lyman B. Kirkpatrick  
Inspector General

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March 26, 1960

Mr. Allen Dulles  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Since Mr. Kirkpatrick transmitted your kind permission to include a selection from your book on Germany's Underground in my proposed anthology on the O.S.S., I have signed a contract with Ballantine Books for a somewhat different volume. I am to write a brief factual history of the O.S.S..

I realize that this is an extremely ambitious project, and I'm aware that it may be almost impossible in view of (a) the security restrictions (b) the vast amount of material to be covered. I am, however, determined to do a first class job within these limitations.

I want it to be factual and documented. I want to include the text of the paper setting up C.O.I., the text of the Executive Orders creating and dissolving O.S.S., a list of O.S.S. personnel killed in action, a list of O.S.S. personnel receiving major medals, an organizational chart of the O.S.S. in 1942 and in 1945.

I would also be very grateful for 15 minutes of your time because I'm certain that you can give me some useful suggestions. I'll be in Washington on the 4th and 5th of April, and hope that you'll be able to squeeze me into your obviously crowded schedule. I feel that O.S.S. deserves more than the mere collections of mission reports and comic adventures published thusfar, and I hope that you do to.

Sincerely,

*Walter Wager*

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